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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

NON-RESPONSIVE AMENDMENT

The reply filed on 10/02/03 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): Applicants failed to elect an invention as required by the restriction requirement mailed on August 12, 2003. See 37 CFR 1.111. It appears that there is a confusion between the Examiner and Applicants' representative in a telephone conversation that Applicants' cancellation of pending claims 1-37 would eliminate the requirement for Applicants to respond to the restriction requirement. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Quang Nguyen, Ph.D., whose telephone number is (571) 272-0776.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's mentor, David Guzo, Ph.D., may be reached at (571) 272-0767, or SPE, Irem Yucel, Ph.D., at (571) 272-0781.

To aid in correlating any papers for this application, all further correspondence regarding this application should be directed to Group Art Unit 1636; Central Fax No. (703) 872-9306.

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